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It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Final Office Action be extended three months from **June 6**, **2003**, to **September 6**, **2003**, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment. Because September 6, 2003 is a Saturday, the three-month extension effectively covers the next business day **September 8**, **2003**. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$465.00 for a three-month extension for a small entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying check. However, if

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extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. **08-3038** referencing docket number **10356.0035.NPUS00**.

Respectfully Submitted,

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